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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BALAGUER TO PRESIDENT FORD

REF: STATE 224451

FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER, DATED OCT 14, WHICH
PRESIDENT BALAGUER IS SENDING TO PRESIDENT FORD IN REPLY TO
LATTER'S LETTER OF OCT 11.

BEGIN QUOTE

YOUR EXCELLENCY:

I HAVE HAD THE HONOR TO RECEIVE THE COMFORTING WORDS WHICH YOUR
EXCELLENCY SENT ME ON THE OCCASION OF THE KIDNAPPING IN OUR
COUNTRY OF MISS BARBARA HUTCHISON AND OTHER PERSONS OF FOREIGN
NATIONALITY.

I DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE THOUGHTS EXPRESSED TO ME BY YOUR
EXCELLENCY IN REGARD TO THIS REGRETTABLE DEED WHICH FROM THE
FIRST WAS REPUDIATED BY ALL THE DOMINICAN PEOPLE.

I DEEM IT A DUTY TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THE DOMINICAN AUTHORITIES
RECEIVED VALUABLE COOPERATION FROM THE AMBASSADOR OF THE
UNITED STATES, MR. ROBERT A. HURWITCH, WHO, WITH GREAT TACT,
UTILIZED HIS RELATIONS WITH MISS HUTCHISON TO KEEP THE
NATIONAL POLICE INFORMED ABOUT THE TRUE SITUATION OF THE
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HOSTAGES DURING THE KIDNAPPING, WHICH WAS OF GREAT HELP TO

US SINCE OUR PRINCIPAL CONCERN WAS FROM THE BEGINNING THE
PRESERVATION OF THE LIVES OF THE INNOCENT PERSONS WHO WERE
VICTIMS OF THIS ACT OF TERRORISM.

I CONVEY TO YOUR EXCELLENCY SENTIMENTS OF MY HIGHEST
AND MOST DISTINGUISHED CONSIDERATION. JOAQUIN BALAGUER
END QUOTE
HURWITCH

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